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Presidential Proclamation

National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month, 2012

Nearly a century and a half ago, President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation -- a document that reaffirmed the noble goals of equality and freedom for all that lie at the heart of what it means to live in America. In the years since, we have tirelessly pursued the realization and protection of these essential principles. Yet, despite our successes, thousands of individuals living in the United States and still more abroad suffer in silence under the intolerable yoke of modern slavery. During National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month, we stand with all those who are held in compelled service; we recognize the people, organizations, and government entities that are working to combat human trafficking; and we recommit to bringing an end to this inexcusable human rights abuse.

Human trafficking endangers the lives of millions of people around the world, and it is a crime that knows no borders. Trafficking networks operate both domestically and transnationally, and although abuses disproportionately affect women and girls, the victims of this ongoing global tragedy are men, women, and children of all ages. Around the world, we are monitoring the progress of governments in combating trafficking while supporting programs aimed at its eradication. From

forced labor and debt bondage to forced commercial sexual exploitation and involuntary domestic servitude, human trafficking leaves no country untouched. With this knowledge, we rededicate ourselves to forging robust international partnerships that strengthen global anti-trafficking efforts, and to confronting traffickers here at home.

My Administration continues to implement our comprehensive strategy to combat human trafficking in America. By coordinating our response across Federal agencies, we are working to protect victims of human trafficking with effective services and support, prosecute traffickers through consistent enforcement, and prevent human rights abuses by furthering public awareness and addressing the root causes of modern slavery. The steadfast defense of human rights is an essential part of our national identity, and as long as individuals suffer the violence of slavery and human trafficking, we must continue the fight.

With the start of each year, we commemorate the anniversaries of the Emancipation Proclamation, which became effective on January 1, 1863, and the 13th Amendment to abolish slavery, which was signed by President Abraham Lincoln and submitted to the States for ratification on February 1, 1865.

These documents stand as testaments to the gains we have made in pursuit of freedom and justice for all, and they

remind us of the work that remains to be done. This month, I urge all Americans to educate themselves about all forms of modern slavery and the signs and consequences of human trafficking. Together, and in cooperation with our partners around the world, we can work to end this terrible injustice and protect the rights to life and liberty entrusted to us by our forebears and owed to our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARACK OBAMA, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim January 2012 as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month, culminating in the annual celebration of National Freedom Day on February 1. I call upon the people of the United States to recognize the vital role we can play in ending modern slavery and to observe this month with appropriate programs and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of December, in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-sixth.

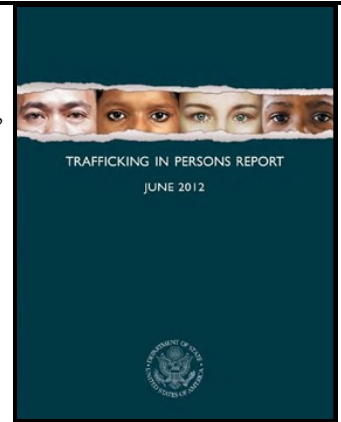
BARACK OBAMA

Trafficking In Person's Report June 2012

The annual Trafficking in Persons Report analyzes countries from around the world by looking at what the governments are doing against modern slavery. It does so through the 3P paradigm, in which we look at prevention, protection, and prosecution alike, not simply looking at this as a development issue or a public awareness issue, but also an issue of rehabilitation of victims and bringing the traffickers to justice. This is, as the report says this year, a crime first and foremost.

Complete report:

<http://www.state.gov/j/tip/rls/tiprpt/2012/>



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Congressional Research Service Report

Trafficking in Persons: International Dimensions and Foreign Policy Issues for Congress

Liana Sun Wyler, Analyst in International Crime and Narcotics

July 6, 2012

Trafficking in persons, or human trafficking, refers to the subjection of men, women, and children to exploitative conditions that can be tantamount to slavery. Reports suggest that human trafficking is a global phenomenon, victimizing millions of people each year and contributing to a multi-billion dollar criminal industry. It is a centuries-old problem that, despite international and U.S. efforts to eliminate it, continues to occur in virtually every country in the world. Human trafficking is also an international and cross-cutting policy problem that bears on a range of major national security, human rights, criminal justice, social, economic, migration, gender, public health, and labor issues.

Complete report:

<https://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/row/R42497.pdf>

Select List of useful websites

Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse (MINCAVA)

<http://www.mincava.umn.edu/>

U.S. Department of Defense – Combating Trafficking in Persons

<http://ctip.defense.gov/>

UNODC on Human Trafficking

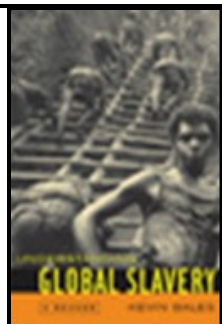
<http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/human-trafficking/what-is-human-trafficking.html>

U. S. Department of Justice Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS)

<http://www.justice.gov/criminal/ceos/>

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Understanding Global Slavery: A Reader by Kevin Bales.
University of California Press,
2005



Political Economy of New Slavery by Christien van den Anker. Palgrave Macmillan,
2004



Groundwork Guides : Slavery Today by Kevin Bales and Rebecca Cornell.
Groundwood Books, 2008

Documentaries - FILMAKERS LIBRARY ONLINE



Behind Forgotten Eyes directed by Gilmore, Anthony (Filmmakers Library, 2008)
77:18 mins

While Korea groaned under the harsh colonial rule of Imperial Japan from 1932 until 1945, the Japanese military coerced, tricked, and forced more than 200,000 women of Korea into a brutal and systematic form of sexual slavery on an unimaginable scale. With the expert testimony of academics, social activists, and professionals from Japan, Korea, and the United States the film offer a candid look into an issue

Trafficked: Children as Sexual Slaves directed by Luigi Acquisto, produced by Luigi Acquisto, Film Australia Ltd. (Filmmakers Library, 2006) 52:15 mins

The United Nations estimates that more than one million children are forced into sexual slavery each year. This powerful documentary follows Chris Payne, a former police officer turned private investigator, as he investigates this shocking crime. Haunted for a decade by the case of "Nikkie," a young Thai girl found working in a brothel in Sydney who was hastily deported, Payne wants to know what circumstances forced her into a brothel, and what became of her after she was returned to her own country.



Under the River: Exploited Children of Ghana directed by Jesse Lanier (Filmmakers Library, 2009)
51:55 mins

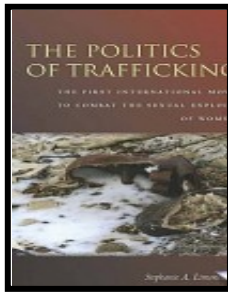
In Ghana, children as young as three and as old as sixteen are often sent away from home to work in bondage for small payments, desperately needed by impoverished families. Under the River follows one non-governmental organization's efforts to investigate and rescue trafficked children from bonded labor and return them to their parents.

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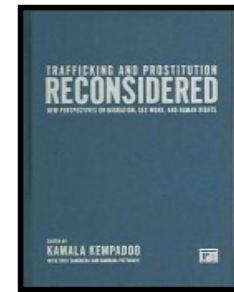
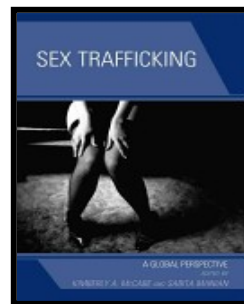
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The Politics of Trafficking: the First International Movement to Combat the Sexual Exploitation of Women
by Stephanie A. Limoncelli.
Stanford University Press,
2010.

Sex Trafficking : A Global Perspective
edited by Kimberly A. McCabe and Sabita Manian.
Lexington Books, c2010.



Trafficking and Prostitution Reconsidered: New Perspectives on Migration, Sex Work, and Human Rights
edited by Kamala Kempadoo
with Jyoti Sanghera and Bandana Pattanaik. Paradigm Publishers, c2005.



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